

Cotton Growers Meet in Atlanta, Dec. 13.

THE PLANS PERFECTED.

The South Carolina Cotton Growers convention reconvened in the court house yesterday morning at 10 o'clock with about a hundred delegates present. The same earnest air characterized the proceedings, which lasted about an hour and a half, as dominated the initiatory meeting the day before.

In accordance with its plans made the day before the convention yesterday elected two delegates at large and one delegate from each congressional district to represent the state at a convention of all the cotton growing states, to be held in Atlanta the second Tuesday in next month. County chairmen were also chosen to perfect county and township organizations along the lines suggested by the state organization.

The meeting opened with the reading of the report of the committee appointed Wednesday to map out a plan of action.

The committee incorporated in its report the resolution of the preceding day, looking to a general convention in Atlanta on the first Tuesday in January, 1898, to the appointment of delegates from this state and recommended township organizations.

The second resolution the committee recommended adopted read as follows: "That it is further the sense of this meeting that overproduction is one of the leading factors which tend to depress the price of cotton and subject the producer to the influences and control of speculation."

Mr. John T. Duncan introduced the following as a substitute, which was adopted. Senator Butler alone voting "no"; "Notwithstanding the cry of overproduction as a justification for low prices, the crop is taken and consumed; yet in order to more readily accomplish our purpose of controlling prices, we recommend the increase of other crops and the consequent reduction of the cotton crop; thereby becoming less dependent on others for supplies and more independent in the sale of our cotton."

The committee's third resolution, which read as follows, was then taken up: "That this meeting should adopt decisive measures to secure the co-operation of cotton growers in all sections of the country in reducing the acreage and production of cotton, and adopting some system by which prices can be maintained, so as to give the producer fair remuneration."

On motion of Mr. Duncan that portion of the paragraph reading, "in reducing the acreage and production of cotton," was stricken out.

Then on motion of Senator Butler the committee's report as amended was unanimously adopted as a whole, as follows:

"Having had under consideration the resolution of this association in structing it to prepare the order of business for the meeting, your committee beg leave to report the following resolutions:

"1. That it is the sense of this association that any and all efforts made to advance and promote the interests of the producers of cotton, by enhancing the price, establishing and maintaining stability of markets and securing fair remuneration to the producer, should have and receive the cordial endorsement and support of this association.

"2. That notwithstanding the cry of over production as a justification for low prices, the crop is taken and consumed; yet in order the more readily to accomplish our purpose of controlling prices, we recommend the increase of other crops and the consequent reduction of the cotton crop; thereby becoming less dependent on others for supplies, and more independent in the sale of our cotton.

"3. That this meeting should adopt decisive measures to secure the cooperation of cotton growers in all sections of the country in adopting some system by which prices can be maintained, so as to give the producer fair remuneration.

"4. Looking therefore to the furtherance of the above recommendations we adopt as a part of our report the preamble and resolutions adopted on yesterday by this convention, viz:

"In view of the magnitude of the organization necessary to meet, with any promise of success, the disastrous condition that confront the producers of cotton, involving the active co-operation of the individual producer from North Carolina to Texas; and in view of the necessity for a full representative meeting at every stage of the organization;

"Be it resolved, 1. That the president of the convention be authorized to call an interstate cotton growers' convention to be held in the city of Atlanta the first Tuesday in January or as soon thereafter as practicable, at which meeting each cotton growing state be requested to send as many representatives as it now has members of the United States house of representatives, for the purpose of devising ways and means to avert the disaster that threatens.

"2. That a delegate from each congressional district be appointed to said convention from this state.

"3. That the president of this meeting call upon agricultural organiza-

tions in other cotton growing States, or in the absence of agricultural organizations, request the governor of such State to call similar meetings in their respective States, for the purpose of discussing the situation and electing delegates to the said interstate cotton growers' convention.

"4. That in the opinion of this body, nothing short of a township organization as the basis, reaching up through county and state organization, will prove effectual in this great work."

"And we recommend that delegates from the several congressional districts in the state and two delegates at large be elected to represent this association."

Mr. L. W. Youmans introduced the following, which was adopted without dissent:

"Resolved, That the secretary of this association be instructed to serve a copy of these resolutions on Mr. Hector B. Lane, president of the Southern Cotton Growers' Protective association."

DELEGATES TO ATLANTA.

Then on motion of Senator Butler, the convention went into an election of delegates to the Atlanta convention, which resulted as follows:

Delegates at large—M. L. Donaldson, of Greenville, and Dr. J. W. Stokes, of Orangeburg.

First district—Thomas M. Martin.

Second district—L. W. Youmans.

Third district—J. E. Bradley.

Fourth district—Dr. J. B. Stepp.

Fifth district—J. C. Wilborn.

Sixth district—J. F. Breeden.

Seventh district—E. D. Smith.

Alternates were chosen as follows:

Second, T. S. Allen; fourth, J. H. Wharton; fifth, T. J. Cunningham;

sixth, J. C. Sallars. The delegates of the first, third and seventh districts were authorized to appoint substitutes in case they were unable to attend.

THANKS TO MR. RODDEY.

Mr. Donaldson introduced the following, which was unanimously adopted:

"Resolved, That the thanks of this convention are due and are hereby extended to Mr. J. T. Roddy for his valuable advice and assistance during the meetings of this convention."

AS TO COUNTY CONVENTION

After considerable discussion and of ters of amendments, the following, introduced by Mr. T. L. Gantt, was adopted:

"Resolved, That one committeeman from each county in the state be elected by this convention to organize a movement in their respective counties, and that said committeeman be instructed and empowered to appoint a sub-committee in each township in his county to meet in convention on said day in December."

Following are the chairman selected in accordance with the resolution:

Abbeville, John R. Blake.

Aiken, Arthur Cushman.

Anderson, A. C. Latimer.

Bamberg, S. G. Mayfield.

Barnwell, L. W. Youmans.

Beaufort, Senator Talbird.

Berkeley, J. B. Morrison.

Charleston, R. A. Love.

Chesterfield, W. P. Pollock.

Cherokee, W. D. Camp.

Clarendon, J. E. Tindal.

Colleton, M. R. Cooper.

Darlington, J. J. Lawton.

Dorchester, C. J. Allee.

Edgefield, S. B. Mays.

Fairfield, J. G. Walling.

Florence, J. W. McCowan.

Georgetown, LeGrand Walker.

Greenwood, Mike Kinard.

Greenville, John B. Harrison.

Hampton, W. J. Gooding.

Horry, J. A. McDermont.

Kershaw, S. C. Rollings.

Lancaster, J. P. Knight.

Laurens, John H. Wharten.

Lexington, D. F. Eberd.

Marion, J. E. Ellerbe.

Marlboro, W. D. Evans.

Newberry, R. T. C. Hunter.

Oconee, C. R. D. Burns.

Orangeburg, L. C. Connor.

Pickens, W. T. O'Dell.

Richland, J. T. Duncan.

Saluda, N. A. Bates.

Spartanburg, Joseph T. Johnson.

Sumter, J. Harvey Wilson.

Union, H. C. Little.

Williamsburg, Dr. A. H. Williams.

York, W. N. Elder.

Known by its Merits.

The infamy of the dispensary system will never be more clearly illustrated than it was yesterday morning near the city of Spartanburg.

We do not say the infamy of the dispensary restrictions—for most of them are good and wholesome, and if honestly and fairly enforced they will meet the approval of all good people—but the infamy of the system, a system which makes possible tyranny and outrage and murder.

A peaceable, law observing and reputable citizen of Spartanburg county; a farmer and a "Reformer"; a man of family, 65 years old; a deacon in the Baptist church, is waylaid before the dawn while on his way to attend the Cotton Growers' convention in this city and shot to death by a Texan tough in the hire of the State, an importation of B. R. Tillman, continued in office by his successors, armed with the authority of the executive department to make such raids as that which has resulted in this slaughter. "Accident" is the defense. Let who will believe that!

Certain it is that a law which puts arms and authority in the hands of men of this type, which permits or necessitates the methods of frontier "road agents," which must endure by the influence of ambuscades and night seizures, is a law which if not in its nature evil is evil in its products, is intolerable in its fruits.

"Accident!" This same Newbold while in the same service once threatened the life of the mayor of Columbia because of a fine in the mayor's court, and flourished his pistols before the door of the city's magistrate. That was his conception of the powers and privileges of an officer of the law. Yet after this incident he was retained, unopposed and unrebuked. The appointee of Tillman, he was one of the very few who retained his office through each succeeding administration.

"Accident?" What right had Newbold to hold up a peaceful citizen at the point of the pistol? What right had he to do the thing that led to this "accident" except the right of might, the assurance of the backing of the State, the conviction that these Jack Turpis methods were necessary to the maintenance of the dispensary? True, he had precedent. Near the same spot men were slain before in the same cause and much the same manner, and they were pardoned.

It is not our purpose to excite wrath against individuals. We wish only to ask the people of South Carolina to think upon this outrage and ask themselves—even the most devoted to the dispensary—whether every good which can be found in the dispensary system cannot be perpetuated without giving power of life and death to irresponsible men, without violence and murder?—State

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The annual meeting of the stockholders of the South Carolina and Georgia Railway company was held in Charleston yesterday. All the old officers were re-elected.

General Fitzhugh Lee sailed from New York for Havana yesterday.

Yesterday's report of yellow fever at Mobile showed two deaths and three new cases.

The report of the yellow fever at New Orleans yesterday showed four deaths and seven new cases.

S. M. Davidson, son of R. F. Davidson of Charlotte, N. C., was burned to death in the latter's house in that city last night. The fire is supposed to have been started by the overturning of a kerosene lamp.

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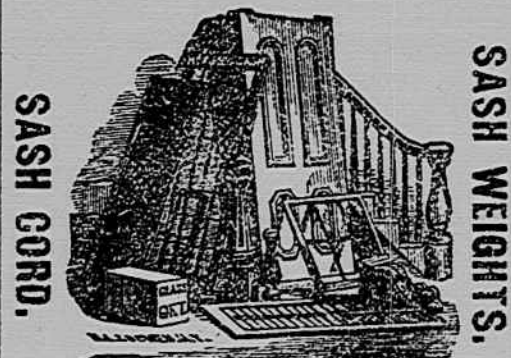
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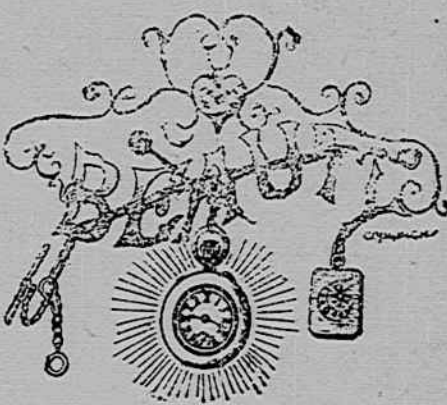
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